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**Introductory Comments**

In conjunction with the Demand for International Preliminary Examination,  
Applicants provide Replacement Claims Pages 24 and 25 as follows to insert:

1. The subject matter of Page 9, lines 15-26 into Claim 1 to obviate any asserted lack of novelty because of either U.S. Pat. No. 5,783,629 or US PGPUB 2002/107328 because neither disclose the use of oil; and
2. The subject matter from Page 7, Line 12 et seq. and the identification of polyolefin as the continuous phase and the olefinic rubber as the dispersed phase (from, for example, Page 3, Lines 16 and 17) into Claim 1 to obviate any asserted lack of

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